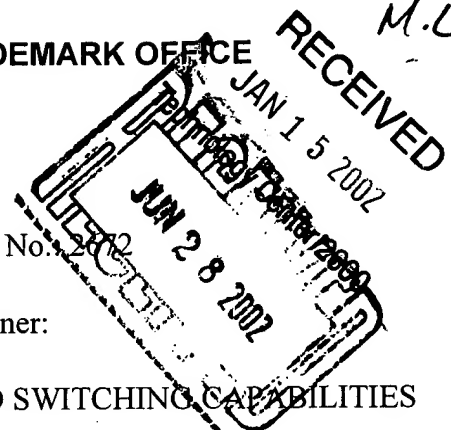




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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 5-7 as follows:

5. A method of switching between text and audio stored in an electronic book, comprising the steps of:
- Providing the text and audio in indexed form; and
 - Synchronizing the switching in accordance with the indexing of the text and audio.
6. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of switching between text and audio is effected explicitly or implicitly.

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